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Re USITO Circular 369, June 9.

Press gave heavy play cease-fire Guatemala but no editorial comment on end fighting. There general air satisfaction high government circles. Foreign Minister opined to charge new developments have outmoded text propcsed resolution. Is anxiously awaiting news their effect on meeting consultation and on text. LA CALLE which pro-Toriello early stages rebellion swung sharply against Arbenz last three days. Leftist EL NACIONAL headlined latest developments factually but published series photographs taken Guatemala by staff photographer and captions photos taken before Arbenz quit label Castillo Armas as invader, charge his aviation bombed Guatemalan workers area indiscriminately. EL UNIVERSAL commentary by J. Penzini Hernandez strongly condemned Communist direction Arbenz government but same time blamed United Fruit wage policy as root trouble. Hernandez article, evidently prepared several days ago, made no reference latest developments. Appreciate Wireless File cover briefly up to date developments order meet government request for information.

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